

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims**

1-28. (Canceled)

29. (Presently Amended) A method of treating a skin lesion, the method comprising:

administering to a treatment area that comprises at least one skin lesion an immune response modifier-IR-M compound, having a 2-aminopyridine fused to a five membered nitrogen-containing heterocyclic ring, for a period of time and in an amount sufficient to permit visualization of the margins of the skin lesion; and  
subjecting the skin lesion to an ablation procedure.

30. (Original) The method of claim 29 wherein the ablation procedure is selected from the group consisting of Mohs micrographic surgery, surgical excision, cryotherapy, and radiotherapy.

31. (New) The method of claim 29, wherein the immune response modifier compound is an imidazoquinoline amine, a tetrahydroimidazoquinoline amine, an imidazopyridine amine, a 1,2-bridged imidazoquinoline amine, a 6,7-fused cycloalkylimidazopyridine amine, an imidazonaphthyridine amine, a tetrahydroimidazonaphthyridine amine, an oxazoloquinoline amine, a thiazoloquinoline amine, an oxazolopyridine amine, a thiazolopyridine amine, an oxazolonaphthyridine amine, or a thiazolonaphthyridine amine.